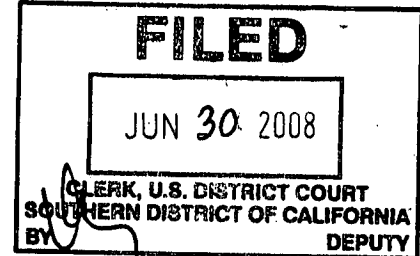


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9 SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

08 CR 2063-WQH

10 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Magistrate Case No. 08MJ1781

11 Plaintiff,

12 v.

**STIPULATION OF FACT AND JOINT
MOTION FOR RELEASE OF
MATERIAL WITNESS(ES) AND
ORDER THEREON**

13 JORGE RENE BERNAL-GUZMAN (1),

14 Defendant.

(Pre-Indictment Fast-Track Program)

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16 **IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED** between the plaintiff, UNITED STATES
17 OF AMERICA, by and through its counsel, Karen P. Hewitt, United States Attorney, and James P.
18 Melendres, Assistant United States Attorney, and defendant JORGE RENE BERNAL-GUZMAN,
19 by and through and with the advice and consent of defense counsel, Gerard J. Wasson, that:

20 1. Defendant agrees to execute this stipulation on or before the first preliminary hearing
21 date and to participate in a full and complete inquiry by the Court into whether defendant knowingly,
22 intelligently and voluntarily entered into it. Defendant agrees further to waive indictment and plead
23 guilty to the pre-indictment information charging defendant with a non-mandatory minimum count
24 of Bringing in Aliens Without Presentation and Aiding and Abetting, in violation of 8 U.S.C.
25 § 1324(a)(1)(A)(i) and (v)(II).

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1 2. Defendant acknowledges receipt of a plea agreement in this case and agrees to
2 provide the signed, original plea agreement to the Government not later than five business days
3 before the disposition date set by the Court.

4 3. Defendant agrees to plead guilty to the charge pursuant to the plea agreement on or
5 before **July 10, 2008**.

6 4. The material witnesses, Angel Perez-Bailon and Jose Hernandez-Ortiz, in this case:

7 a. Are aliens with no lawful right to enter or remain in the United States;

8 b. Entered or attempted to enter the United States illegally on or about
9 June 6, 2008;

10 c. Were found in an area 50 yards North of the international border with Mexico
11 and were being guided by defendant, and defendant knew of the fact that they were aliens with no
12 lawful right to enter or remain in the United States;

13 d. Were paying or having others pay on their behalf an unknown amount up to
14 \$2,000 to others to be brought into the United States illegally and/or transported illegally to their
15 destination therein; and,

16 e. May be released and remanded immediately to the Department of Homeland
17 Security for return to their country of origin.

18 5. After the material witnesses are ordered released by the Court pursuant to this
19 stipulation and joint motion, if defendant does not plead guilty to the charge set forth above, for any
20 reason, or thereafter withdraws his guilty plea to that charge, defendant agrees that in any proceeding,
21 including, but not limited to, motion hearings, trial, sentencing, appeal or collateral attack, that:

22 a. The stipulated facts set forth in paragraph 4 above shall be admitted as
23 substantive evidence;

24 b. The United States may elicit hearsay testimony from arresting agents
25 regarding any statements made by the material witness(es) provided in discovery, and such testimony
26 shall be admitted as substantive evidence under Fed. R. Evid. 804(b)(3) as statements against interest
27 of (an) unavailable witness(es); and,

1 c. Understanding that under Crawford v. Washington, 124 S. Ct. 1354 (2004),
2 "testimonial" hearsay statements are not admissible against a defendant unless defendant confronted
3 and cross-examined the witness(es) who made the "testimonial" hearsay statements, defendant
4 waives the right to confront and cross-examine the material witness(es) in this case.

5 6. By signing this stipulation and joint motion, defendant certifies that defendant has
6 read it (or that it has been read to defendant in defendant's native language). Defendant certifies
7 further that defendant has discussed the terms of this stipulation and joint motion with defense
8 counsel and fully understands its meaning and effect.

9 Based on the foregoing, the parties jointly move the stipulation into evidence and for the
10 immediate release and remand of the above-named material witness(es) to the Department of
11 Homeland Security for return to their country of origin.

12 It is STIPULATED AND AGREED this date.

13 Respectfully submitted,

14 KAREN P. HEWITT
15 United States Attorney

16 Dated: 24 June 08

17 JAMES P. MELENDRES
18 Assistant United States Attorney

19 Dated: 6/18/08

20 GERARD J. WASSON
21 Defense Counsel for
22 JORGE RENE BERNAL-GUZMAN

23 Dated: 6/18/08

24 JORGE RENE BERNAL-GUZMAN
25 Defendant

ORDER

Upon joint application and motion of the parties, and for good cause shown,

THE STIPULATION is admitted into evidence, and,

IT IS ORDERED that the above-named material witness(es) be released and remanded forthwith to the Department of Homeland Security for return to their country of origin.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: 6/30/2008


United States Magistrate Judge